

NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening when an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL

- 1. Title and its heading:** 18, Environmental Quality

Chapter and its heading: 2, Department of Environmental Quality – Air Pollution Control

Article and its heading: 1, General

Section numbers: 2, Ambient Air Quality Standards; Area Designations; Classifications
Appendix 2, Test Methods and Protocols
R18-2-101, R18-2-201, R18-2-202, R18-2-203, R18-2-210, and
Appendix 2 (As part of this rulemaking, the Department may add,
delete, or modify additional Sections as necessary.)
- 2. The subject matter of the proposed rule:**

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality will propose rules to update its ambient air quality standards for PM_{2.5} and 8-hour ozone to reflect the current national standards. The rulemaking will also add a definition for PM_{2.5}, update test methods and protocols in Appendix 2, update area designations in R18-2-210 to include the Phoenix Metropolitan 8-hour Ozone Nonattainment Area, and make a technical correction to R18-2-202.
- 3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**

None
- 4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:**

Name: Kevin Force

Address: Department of Environmental Quality
1110 W. Washington St.
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Telephone: (602) 771-4480

Fax: (602) 771-2366
- 5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**

To be announced in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.
- 6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding:**

To be announced in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.